

STATE OF HAWAII  
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES  
Land Division  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

November 14, 2008

Board of Land and Natural Resources  
State of Hawaii  
Honolulu, Hawaii

**HAWAII**

Issuance of Right-of-Entry Permit to Marine Corps League-Camp Tarawa Detachment #1255 onto Lands Encumbered by General Lease No. S-4474, Puu Kawaiwai, South Kohala, Hawaii, Tax Map Key: 3<sup>rd</sup>/6-2-01:por. 15

**APPLICANT:**

Marine Corps League-Camp Tarawa Detachment #1255, a Hawaii non-profit corporation, whose business and mailing address is P. O. Box 385551, Waikoloa, Hawaii 96738.

**LEGAL REFERENCE:**

Sections 171-55, Hawaii Revised Statutes, as amended.

**LOCATION:**

Portion of Government lands at Puu Kawaiwai, South Kohala, Hawaii, identified by Tax Map Key: 3<sup>rd</sup>/6-2-01: portion of 15, as shown on the attached map labeled Exhibit A.

**AREA:**

1,930.640 acres, more or less.

**ZONING:**

State Land Use District:	Agriculture
County of Hawaii CZO:	Agriculture

**TRUST LAND STATUS:**

Section 5(b) lands of the Hawaii Admission Act

DHHL 30% entitlement lands pursuant to the Hawaii State Constitution: NO

CURRENT USE STATUS:

Encumbered by General Lease No. S-4474, Parker Ranch, Lessee, for pasture purposes.  
Lease to expire on February 22, 2011.

CHARACTER OF USE:

Pasture purposes.

TERM OF RIGHT-OF-ENTRY:

Six (6) months, commencing from date of this Board action.

CONSIDERATION:

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CHAPTER 343 - ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

In accordance with the "Division of Land Management's Environmental Impact Statement Exemption List", approved by the Environmental Council and dated April 28, 1986, the subject request is exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment pursuant to Exemption Class No. 5, Item No. 1 that states "Permission to enter State lands for the purpose of basic data collection, research, experimental management and resources evaluation activities such as archaeological survey, topographic survey, test borings for soil test, ground cover survey inspection of property for appraisal and development feasibility study purposes."

DCCA VERIFICATION:

Place of business registration confirmed:	YES
Registered business name confirmed:	YES
Applicant in good standing confirmed:	YES

APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS:

Applicant shall be required to:

- 1) Obtain written concurrence from Parker Ranch for the project on the subject land.
- 2) Coordinate project activities with the State Historic Preservation Division.

REMARKS:

The Marine Corps League, Camp Tarawa Detachment #1255, a non-profit veterans organization, received its charter in October 2006. Its primary mission is the restoration and ongoing maintenance of the Camp Tarawa Monument in the town of Waimea (Kamuela). The Detachment started a docent program to keep the history of Camp Tarawa alive by educating the general public of a very important part of American history.

Recently, a project undertaken by Kathy Painton, the detachment's historian was to put together some historical artifacts of the Camp Tarawa era. In conducting research, it was learned that a Mr. Fred Cachola, a Waimea resident during the 1940's, recalled the Marines burying truckloads of war surplus materials at a quarry site makai of the Kohala Mountain Road. It is hoped that by exploring this area, they will find and collect some artifacts for public display in a museum.

The subject area, located at Puu Kawaiwai, is currently encumbered under General Lease No. S-4474 to Parker Ranch for pasture purposes. As a result, a right-of-entry is required to enter the State parcel, with concurrences from its Lessee. This portion of the project is only for survey and data collection to determine if artifacts are in the area. It is anticipated that the site investigation will take about six months. Should the test results confirm that the site contains historical artifacts, a request under separate cover would then be submitted to obtain proper authorizations for the excavation and removal of such materials/items.

Parker Ranch has been contacted and is in full support of the proposed project. The State Historic Preservation Division has also been contacted and will provide guidance and monitor the activities of the project.

No agency or interest groups were solicited for comments as this portion of the project only involves site investigation for data collection and does not involve land disposition.

Staff is of the understanding that no entity involved intends to profit monetarily from its use, therefore meets requirements for a waiver of rent.

Staff recommends that the Chairperson be authorized to extend the term of the right-of-entry permit for good cause, in the event that this project is delayed due to weather or any unexpected circumstances.

There are no other pertinent issues or concerns and staff has no objections to the request.

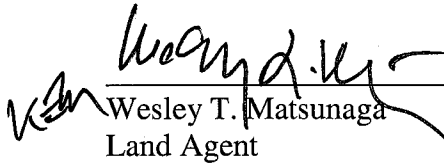
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RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board, subject to the Applicant fulfilling the Applicant Requirements above, authorizes the issuance of a right-of-entry permit to the Marine Corps League, Camp Tarawa Detachment #1255, its consultants, contractors, and/or persons acting for or on its behalf, covering the subject area under the terms and conditions cited above, which are by this reference incorporated herein and further subject to the following:

1. The standard terms and conditions of the most current right-of-entry permit form, as may be amended from time to time;
2. That Permittee, prior to conducting any ground work activities, consult with the State Historic Preservation Division;
3. Authorize the Chairperson to issue future right-of-entries to the Permittee in relation to its site investigation to locate and extract historic artifacts; and
4. Such other terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Chairperson to best serve the interests of the State.

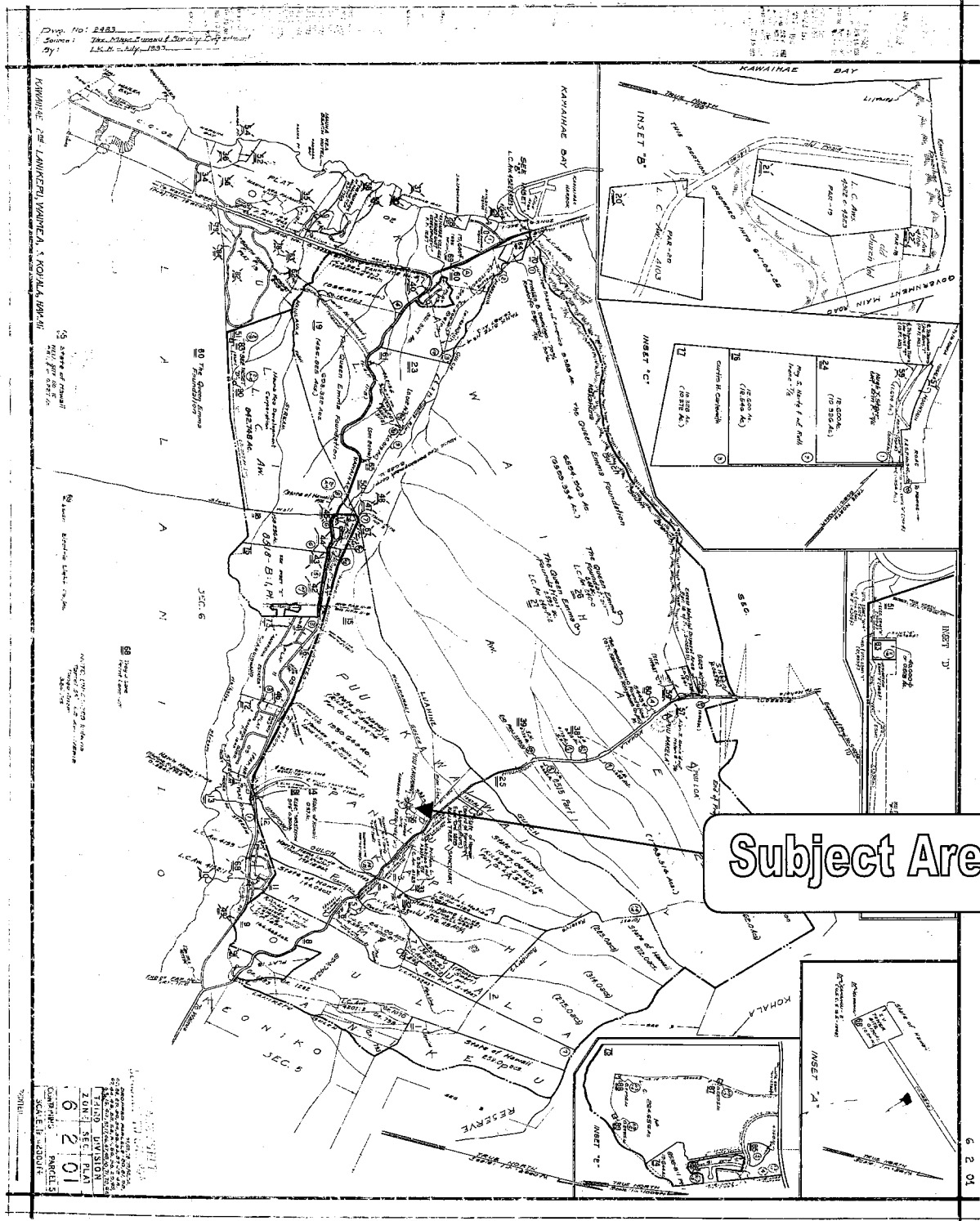
Respectfully Submitted,

  
Wesley T. Matsunaga  
Land Agent

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:

  
Laura H. Thielen, Chairperson





# EXHIBIT A